

October 12, 1999

Fresno County Negotiating Team Supervisor Stan Oken Supervisor Juan Arambula Hall of Records 2281 Tulare Street Fresno, CA 92721-2198

Dear Supervisors:

I have been requested to write you on behalf of the City of Fresno General Plan Update Mayor and Council Subcommittee to respond to your July 2, 1999 proposal regarding Fresno Sphere of Influence Expansion.

The Subcommittee has determined that the interim proposals outlined in the July 2, 1999 correspondence are not acceptable. The Subcommittee members had a variety of objections to the proposal, related to both the land use and the fiscal implications of the proposal. The Subcommittee also concluded that any negotiations premised upon any interim modifications to the Master Revenue Sharing Agreement are inappropriate and in all events premature.

For the present, the City of Fresno intends to focus its efforts on completing the update of the City of Fresno General Plan and in providing comments to the County of Fresno General Plan update and will not pursue negotiations tied to revenue sharing arrangements. Further fiscal negotiations will therefore be put on hold.

The City of Fresno does intend to honor and ensure compliance by all parties with the 1983 Joint Resolution on Metropolitan Planning. Our lack of desire for fiscal negotiations is not a refusal to participate in the three-way good faith negotiations required to implement the provisions of that Joint Resolution.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey M. Reid City Manager

c: Honorable Mayor Jim Patterson
Council President Ken Steitz
Councilmember Garry Bredefeld
Councilmember Sal Quintero
Al Solis, Development Director
Nick Yovino, Assistant Development Director